

**BRIDGEND URBAN DISTRICT
COUNCIL**



REPORT

of the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

FOR THE YEAR

1970



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*To the Chairman and Members of the
Bridgend Urban District Council*

Mr. Chairman and Members,

I beg to submit the Annual report on the Health and Sanitary conditions of the Urban District of Bridgend for the year 1970. This report has been prepared on the lines laid down in Circular 1/71 of the Welsh Office.

| | | |
|---|-------------|------------------------------|
| Area of the Urban District | 1,218 acres | |
| Rateable Value, 1/4/71..... | £627,046 | |
| Product of a Penny Rate (New Currency) | £5,941 | |
| Registrar General's estimate of Population Mid-1970 | 15,170 | |
| Census Population figures : | | |
| Census 1911 | 8,021 | |
| Census 1921 | 9,206 | |
| Census 1931 | 10,029 | Males 4,859 Females 5,170 |
| Census 1951 | 13,646 | Males 6,526 Females 7,120 |
| Census 1961 | 15,174 | Males 7,302 Females 7,872 |
| Censal Increase 1951 - 61 | 1,528 | |
| Censal Increase percentage of | | |
| 1931 Population | 11.1 | |
| Number of inhabited houses, 1921 | 1,658 | |
| Number of inhabited dwellings 1/4/71 | 5,101 | |

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS

| | M | | F | |
|----------------------------|----|-----|----|-----|
| Live Births | 98 | ... | 99 | ... |
| Legitimate | 89 | ... | 93 | ... |
| Illegitimate | 9 | ... | 6 | ... |
| Still Births | 1 | ... | 1 | ... |
| Legitimate | 1 | ... | 1 | ... |
| Illegitimate | — | ... | — | ... |
| Deaths—Under 1 year | 3 | ... | 2 | ... |
| Legitimate | 2 | ... | 2 | ... |
| Illegitimate | 1 | ... | — | ... |
| Deaths—Under 4 weeks | 3 | ... | 2 | ... |
| Legitimate | 2 | ... | 2 | ... |
| Illegitimate | 1 | ... | — | ... |
| Deaths—Under 1 week | 3 | ... | 1 | ... |
| Legitimate | 2 | ... | 1 | ... |
| Illegitimate | 1 | ... | — | ... |

| | |
|---|----|
| Death Rate of Infants under 1 year | 25 |
| Still Births and Death Rate of Infants under 1 week ... | 20 |
| Deaths from Cancer (all ages) | 30 |

GENERAL AND WELFARE SERVICES

1—Services provided by the Glamorgan County Council—

- (a) At the Divisional Health Office, Quarella Road, Bridgend (Tel. No. Bridgend 2515), the following services are provided :—

Maternity and Child Welfare Home Nursing, Chiropody, Home Help, School Medical and Health visiting. These services are administered by the Divisional Medical Officer.

- (b) Mental Health Services—

The Area Mental Office is established at the County Council Clinic at Elm Crescent, Bryntirion, Bridgend, Tel. Bridgend 5297. It is an advantage to have an office sited in the Mid-Glamorgan area as previously all urgent requests for assistance from this service were routed through the central office at Cardiff.

- (c) Ambulance Service—

The Ambulance Station for your area is situated at the Ambulance Centre, Canal Road, Neath (Tel. No. Neath 3641).

- (d) Welfare Service—

The local office for this service is at the Cambria House, Wyndham Street, Bridgend (Tel. No. Bridgend 3535). Officers of the Welfare Department are available to offer assistance and advice to those in need of hostel accommodation, the blind and the handicapped.

In the Mid-Glamorgan area there are seven County Council Homes, which provide accommodation for aged persons of both sexes. These are Craig-y-Parcau, Bridgend (19M, 20F); Moorlands, Porthcawl 7M, 18F); Danygraig, Porthcawl (21M, 12F); Hyfrydol, Maesteg (12M, 24F); Trem-y-Mor, Bettws (14M, 21F); Troed-y-Ton, Kenfig Hill (8M, 29F); and Llannerch, Merthyr Mawr (15M, 20F).

GLAMORGAN ADMINISTRATIVE COUNTY VITAL STATISTICS, 1970

| | | | | | | | Live Births | | | | | | | Deaths | | | Infant and Peri-Natal Mortality | | | | |
|---------------------------------|---|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|---------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|----------|------------------|------------------------------|----------|---|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|--|--------|---------------------------|----|--|
| | | | | | | | Estimated Population 1970 | No. of Live Births | Rate per 1,000 Population | | No. of Deaths | Rate per 1,000 Population | | Ratio of local adjusted death rate to National rate | Deaths under one year | Rate per 1,000 live births | Still Births and deaths under one week | | No. of still Births | | |
| | | | | | | | | | Crude | Adjusted | | Crude | Adjusted | | | | | | | | |
| England and Wales | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 48,987,700 | 784,482 | 16.0 | 16.00 | 575,208 | 11.7 | 11.7 | 1.00 | 14,269 | 18 | 18,669 | 10,341 | | | |
| Administrative County | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 748,190 | 12,083 | 16.1 | 16.6 | 9,319 | 12.5 | 14.1 | 1.21 | 255 | 21 | 330 | 180 | | | |
| Urban Districts | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 523,700 | 8,138 | 15.5 | 16.0 | 6,719 | 12.8 | 14.5 | 1.24 | 188 | 23 | 236 | 121 | | | |
| Rural Districts | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 224,490 | 3,945 | 17.6 | 18.0 | 2,600 | 11.6 | 13.0 | 1.11 | 67 | 17 | 94 | 59 | | | |
| Health Division Aberdare and | Constituent Districts Aberdare Urban | | | | | | ... | ... | 38,250 | 652 | 17.0 | 18.5 | 575 | 15.0 | 15.2 | 1.29 | 15 | 23 | 19 | 9 | |
| Mountain Ash | Mountain Ash Urban | | | | | | ... | ... | 28,420 | 458 | 16.1 | 16.1 | 357 | 12.6 | 15.0 | 1.28 | 17 | 37 | 15 | 4 | |
| Caerphilly and | Caerphilly Urban | | | | | | ... | ... | 40,550 | 804 | 19.8 | 19.4 | 404 | 10.0 | 12.5 | 1.07 | 21 | 26 | 21 | 10 | |
| Gelligaer | Gelligaer Urban | | | | | | ... | ... | 34,420 | 556 | 16.2 | 16.2 | 419 | 12.2 | 15.4 | 1.31 | 16 | 29 | 15 | 7 | |
| Mid-Glamorgan | Bridgend Urban | | | | | | ... | ... | 15,170 | 197 | 13.0 | 13.4 | 204 | 13.4 | 14.6 | 1.25 | 5 | 25 | 6 | 2 | |
| | Maesteg Urban | | | | | | ... | ... | 21,220 | 401 | 18.9 | 19.7 | 271 | 12.8 | 15.9 | 1.36 | 13 | 32 | 22 | 12 | |
| | Ogmore and Garw Urban | | | | | | ... | ... | 20,120 | 390 | 19.4 | 20.0 | 305 | 15.2 | 18.4 | 1.57 | 13 | 33 | 13 | 6 | |
| | Porthcawl Urban | | | | | | ... | ... | 13,640 | 188 | 13.8 | 16.3 | 216 | 15.8 | 12.6 | 1.08 | 5 | 27 | 3 | 1 | |
| | Penybont Rural | | | | | | ... | ... | 50,530 | 1,004 | 19.9 | 19.1 | 656 | 13.0 | 11.8 | 1.01 | 18 | 18 | 16 | 11 | |
| Neath and | Neath M.B. | | | | | | ... | ... | 29,470 | 380 | 12.9 | 13.4 | 396 | 13.4 | 14.5 | 1.24 | 6 | 16 | 10 | 6 | |
| District | Neath Rural | | | | | | ... | ... | 40,390 | 568 | 14.1 | 14.7 | 534 | 13.2 | 15.4 | 1.32 | 13 | 23 | 15 | 6 | |
| Pontypridd and | Llantrisant Rural | | | | | | ... | ... | 34,270 | 747 | 21.8 | 22.5 | 306 | 8.9 | 11.9 | 1.02 | 15 | 20 | 22 | 15 | |
| Llantrisant | Pontypridd Urban | | | | | | ... | ... | 35,040 | 531 | 15.2 | 15.5 | 451 | 12.9 | 13.3 | 1.14 | 11 | 21 | 20 | 9 | |
| Port Talbot and | Glyncorrwg Urban | | | | | | ... | ... | 9,330 | 146 | 15.6 | 15.1 | 115 | 12.3 | 18.1 | 1.55 | 3 | 21 | 4 | 3 | |
| Glyncorrwg | Port Talbot M.B. | | | | | | ... | ... | 51,000 | 699 | 13.7 | 13.6 | 570 | 11.2 | 15.0 | 1.28 | 18 | 26 | 22 | 10 | |
| South East | Barry M.B. | | | | | | ... | ... | 42,370 | 652 | 15.4 | 15.9 | 503 | 11.9 | 12.9 | 1.10 | 12 | 18 | 14 | 7 | |
| Glamorgan | Cardiff Rural | | | | | | ... | ... | 29,810 | 570 | 19.1 | 17.6 | 304 | 10.2 | 10.8 | 0.92 | 6 | 11 | 8 | 5 | |
| | Cowbridge M.B. | | | | | | ... | ... | 1,500 | 40 | 26.7 | 26.4 | 22 | 14.7 | 16.9 | 1.44 | 3 | 75 | 1 | - | |
| | Cowbridge Rural | | | | | | ... | ... | 23,720 | 441 | 18.6 | 21.2 | 177 | 7.5 | 13.1 | 1.12 | 8 | 18 | 16 | 10 | |
| | Penarth Urban | | | | | | ... | ... | 23,200 | 339 | 14.6 | 15.8 | 271 | 11.7 | 11.0 | 0.94 | 2 | 6 | 5 | 4 | |
| West Glamorgan | Gower Rural | | | | | | ... | ... | 16,350 | 232 | 14.2 | 14.9 | 187 | 11.4 | 12.4 | 1.06 | 2 | 9 | 2 | 2 | |
| | Llwchwr Urban | | | | | | ... | ... | 26,000 | 419 | 16.1 | 17.2 | 329 | 12.7 | 13.8 | 1.18 | 8 | 19 | 7 | 4 | |
| | Pontardawe Rural | | | | | | ... | ... | 29,420 | 383 | 13.0 | 14.7 | 436 | 14.8 | 15.1 | 1.29 | 5 | 13 | 15 | 10 | |
| Rhondda M.B. | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 94,000 | 1,286 | 13.7 | 14.1 | 1,311 | 13.9 | 15.4 | 1.32 | 20 | 16 | 39 | 27 | | | |

(e) Children's Department—

The office of the Children's Department of the County Council is at the County Hall, Cardiff. There is however, a sub-office at Minerva Street, Bridgend (Tel. No. 2725).

2—Hospital Services—

Hospital facilities for your area are administered by the Bro Morgannwg Hospital Management Committee. The office of this Committee is at "Garthmor," Old Road, Neath (Tel. No. 3606.) The following is a list of the hospitals and clinics serving the Mid Glamorgan area.

- (i) Bridgend General Hospital, Quarella Road, Bridgend (Tel. No. Bridgend 3341)—408 beds.
- (ii) Bridgend and District Cottage Hospital, Merthyr-mawr Road, Bridgend (Tel. No. 2427)—36 beds.
- (iii) Cefn Hirgoed Hospital, Bridgend (Tel. No. Bridgend 2478) 78 beds. (54 for Chest Diseases, 10 for Obstetrics, 14 for Gynaecology).
- (iv) Blackmill Isolation Hospital (Tel. Ogmore Valley 207)—44 beds. (26 for Infectious Diseases, 18 for Pre-Convalescence).
- (v) Heddfan, Cefn Hirgoed Hospital, Bridgend (Tel. No. Aberkenfig 240)—16 beds for aged persons.
- (vi) Maesgwyn Hospital, Bryncethin. (Tel. No. Aberkenfig 371)—Inpatient—61 beds for aged persons. Day Hospital—Accommodation for 25 persons.
- (vii) Maesteg General Hospital (Tel. Maesteg 3116)—69 beds. (55 General, 14 Maternity).
- (viii) Maesteg Isolation Hospital (Tel. Maesteg 2127)—18 beds. (8 for Infectious Diseases, 10 for Pre-Convalescence).
- (ix) Llwydarth Hospital (Tel Maesteg 2110)—13 beds. (G.P. beds).
- (x) Penyfai Hospital 120 beds
- (xi) Glanrhyd Hospital 780 beds
- (xii) Parc Hospital 1,042 beds
- (xiii) Bridgend Chest Clinic, Old Cottage Hospital, Bridgend. (Tel. No. Bridgend 2345).
- (xiv) V.D. Clinic, Oakwood Street, Port Talbot.

3—Services provided by Government Departments—

(a) Ministry of Social Security.

The Local Offices of the Ministry of Employment and Productivity are housed at Angel Street, Bridgend (Tel. No. Bridgend 2651).

Cases in receipt of benefit referred by the Ministry of Social Security to the Welsh Office, and claimants of a disablement benefit under the National Industrial Injuries Act are examined at "Garth-Celyn," Merthyr Mawr Road, Bridgend (Tel. No. Bridgend 3658).

General Practitioner Services.

This service is provided by the Glamorgan Executive Council, Churchill House, Churchill Way, Cardiff. (Tel. No. Cardiff 26216).

Laboratory Facilities.

All bacteriological and chemical analyses relating to water, milk and ice-cream are carried out for your area by the Glamorgan County Laboratory, The Parade, Cardiff.

National Assistance Act, 1948.

(a) Section 50—Burial of the Dead.

During the year no action was required under this Section of the Act.

(b) Removal to suitable Premises of Persons in need of Care and Attention.

It was not necessary to take any compulsory action under Section 47 of the National Assistance Act. One person however, was found to be in need of care and attention and was persuaded to voluntarily enter a hostel.

TUBERCULOSIS

Facilities for the diagnosis and home and clinic treatment of Tuberculosis are obtained through the Chest Physician, Old Cottage Hospital, Bridgend (Tel. No. Bridgend 2345). The Chest Physicians are also responsible for the medical treatment of cases of Pulmonary Tuberculosis at the Cefn Hirgoed Isolation Hospital.

(a) New Case and Mortality during 1970.

Particulars of new cases of Tuberculosis and of deaths from the disease in the area during 1970.

| Age Periods | New Cases | | | | Deaths | | | |
|------------------|-----------|----|---------------|----|-----------|----|---------------|----|
| | Pulmonary | | Non-Pulmonary | | Pulmonary | | Non-Pulmonary | |
| | M. | F. | M. | F. | M. | F. | M. | F. |
| Under 5 years... | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 5—14 years ... | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 15—24 years ... | 1 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 25—44 years ... | — | 1 | — | 1 | — | — | — | — |
| 45—64 years ... | — | 3 | — | — | 1 | 2 | — | — |
| 65 and over ... | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Totals ... | 1 | 4 | — | 1 | 1 | 2 | — | — |

(b) Cases transferred to Register from other Areas during 1970.

| M. | Pulmonary | | | ... | M. | Non-Pulmonary | | | ... | Pulmonary and Non-Pulmonary Total |
|----|-----------|-------|--|-----|----|---------------|-------|--|-----|-----------------------------------|
| | F. | Total | | | | F. | Total | | | |
| — | — | — | | | — | — | — | | | — |

(c) Number of Cases on Tuberculosis Register at commencement of year.

| M. | Pulmonary | | | ... | M. | Non-Pulmonary | | | ... | Pulmonary and Non-Pulmonary Total |
|----|-----------|-------|--|-----|----|---------------|-------|--|-----|-----------------------------------|
| | F. | Total | | | | F. | Total | | | |
| 43 | 18 | 61 | | | 13 | 6 | 19 | | | 80 |

(d) Number of Cases on Tuberculosis Register at end of year.

| M. | Pulmonary | | | ... | M. | Non-Pulmonary | | | ... | Pulmonary and Non-Pulmonary Total |
|----|-----------|-------|--|-----|----|---------------|-------|--|-----|-----------------------------------|
| | F. | Total | | | | F. | Total | | | |
| 43 | 20 | 63 | | | 13 | 7 | 20 | | | 83 |

Notification of Tuberculosis during 1970 and the previous Twenty Years

| Year | CASES | | | |
|------|-----------|----|---------------|----|
| | Pulmonary | | Non-Pulmonary | |
| | M. | F. | M. | F. |
| 1950 | 13 | 5 | 2 | 4 |
| 1951 | 8 | 7 | 4 | — |
| 1952 | 14 | 10 | 1 | 4 |
| 1953 | 10 | 3 | — | 1 |
| 1954 | 13 | 13 | 2 | 1 |
| 1955 | 6 | 12 | 2 | 1 |
| 1956 | 9 | 6 | 1 | 2 |
| 1957 | 2 | 6 | — | 1 |
| 1958 | 4 | 4 | 1 | — |
| 1959 | 4 | 3 | 1 | — |
| 1960 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 1961 | 4 | 2 | — | — |
| 1962 | 2 | 1 | — | — |
| 1963 | 3 | 4 | — | — |
| 1964 | 4 | 2 | — | — |
| 1965 | 1 | 2 | — | — |
| 1966 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 1967 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1 |
| 1968 | — | — | 3 | — |
| 1969 | 2 | 1 | — | — |
| 1970 | 1 | 3 | — | 1 |

Deaths from Tuberculosis during 1970 and the previous Twenty Years

| Year | DEATHS | | | |
|------|-----------|----|---------------|----|
| | Pulmonary | | Non-Pulmonary | |
| | M. | F. | M. | F. |
| 1950 | 4 | 1 | — | — |
| 1951 | — | — | — | — |
| 1952 | 1 | 1 | — | 1 |
| 1953 | 1 | 1 | — | — |
| 1954 | 1 | 1 | — | — |
| 1955 | — | 1 | — | — |
| 1956 | 1 | 1 | 1 | — |
| 1957 | 1 | — | — | — |
| 1958 | 4 | — | — | — |
| 1959 | 1 | 1 | — | 1 |
| 1960 | — | — | — | — |
| 1961 | 1 | — | — | — |
| 1962 | 2 | 1 | — | — |
| 1963 | 2 | — | — | — |
| 1964 | 2 | — | — | — |
| 1965 | 1 | — | — | — |
| 1966 | 1 | — | — | — |
| 1967 | — | 1 | — | — |
| 1968 | 1 | — | 1 | — |
| 1969 | — | — | — | — |
| 1970 | 1 | 1 | — | — |

SANITARY CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

1—Water.

The statutory water undertaking for the Urban District is the Mid-Glamorgan Water Board, of which the Council is a constituent authority with four members sitting on the Board. The other constituent authorities are Cowbridge Borough, the Urban Districts of Maesteg, Porthcawl and Ogmore and Garw, and the Rural Districts of Cowbridge and Penybont.

The Board serves in all a population of approximately 150,000 with an average of $7\frac{1}{2}$ million gallons a day rising to $8\frac{1}{2}$ million gallons a day in times of dry weather.

The Board owns a number of sources of water, both surface and underground, throughout its area. Bridgend receives its main supply from a large underground source at Schwyll near Ogmore-by-Sea.

All houses in the area are provided with individual water supplies direct to the houses.

2—Drainage and Sewerage.

The town is satisfactorily sewered, but owing to the recent building schemes in your area, and certain parts of the Penybont Rural District, your sewers are now almost at maximum capacity. The sewage from the town enters the main sewer of the Penybont Main Sewerage Board, which finally discharges into the sea at Ogmore-by-Sea. Your Council is a member of this Board.

The department continues to receive numerous complaints of heavy sewage pollution of the beach at Ogmore-by-Sea. For several years the renewal of the main sewer and the provision of a Treatment Works to overcome this problem has been under consideration.

During 1970 the overloaded condition of the Penybont Main Sewerage Board Trunk sewer has been substantially reduced owing to the removal of infiltrating water at various parts of the sewerage system. The removal of infiltration water continues in order that the minimum volume of sewerage will be available for treatment in 1972/1973, at which time the new sewerage disposal works will be commissioned.

The condition of the coast line at Ogmore and Southerdown will immediately improve when the new sewerage plant is operable.

3—Closet Accommodation.

At the end of the year 1970 the number of closets was as follows :

| | |
|--|-------|
| Water Closets to Sewer (approx.) | 8,415 |
| Water Closets to Cesspools | 10 |
| Septic Tank System | 1 |

4—Public Cleansing.

This work is carried out by the Council's own staff under the direction of the Surveyor.

Refuse and street sweepings are collected daily in the town area, and twice weekly in the remainder of the district.

The Council has introduced a paper sack collection at the Wild Mill Housing Estate, and I am informed that this has proved quite successful.

The tip is carefully controlled and sealed every night.

This work is carried out to the entire satisfaction of the department.

Drainage and Sewerage Work.

During the year the following drains and sewers were inspected and smoke tested.

| | |
|--|-----|
| Number of tests carried out either by means of smoke or water during the year | 55 |
| Number of inspections made of drainage work whilst in progress | 165 |

5—Cesspools.

Three free emptyings of cesspools per annum are carried out by the Council staff at the request of the occupiers.

SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA

1—Shops.

750 visits were paid by our Inspectors to various shops in the area and improvements were carried out in 16 instances.

2—Atmospheric Pollution.

Atmospheric pollution is not a problem in your area.

3—Swimming Baths and Pools.

A public Open-Air Swimming Bath was opened in May, 1938. The cost was £6,600. The capacity of the bath is 186,000 gallons. A filtration plant is installed, and has a six-hour turn over. The water is first filtered, then chlorinated, then aerated, and returned to the bath.

The Swimming Bath was regularly inspected. Samples were taken and submitted for bacteriological examination, all of which proved satisfactory.

In addition to the Town's swimming baths, a very well run and maintained bath is provided in Ysgol Penybont, Ewenny Road. This bath is also used for swimming tuition by pupils of other schools in the town and it is a practice that is to be encouraged. Again, the water from this bath is regularly sampled for its bacteriological content and I am pleased to report that all samples have proved satisfactory.

4—Disinfestation.

51 minor infestations by cockroaches, ants and wasps were reported. Difficulty has been experienced in dealing with wasps nests, but the department has fortunately obtained the services of a professional Bee Keeper and this has proved extremely helpful as this problem seems to be increasing year by year.

5—Removal and Destruction of Bedding.

No requests were received to remove and destroy articles of bedding.

6—Rodent Control.

A full-time rodent operator is employed by the Council. All complaints from private and business premises were attended to, the treatment being carried out free of charge.

Below is a copy of the annual report forwarded to the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food in respect of the above :

| Properties Other than Sewers | Type of Property | |
|--|------------------|--------------|
| | Non-Agricultural | Agricultural |
| 1. Number of properties in district | 6,014 | — |
| 2. (a) Total number of properties (including nearby premises) inspected following notification | 202 | — |
| (b) Number infested by— | | |
| (i) Rats | 173 | — |
| (ii) Mice | 23 | — |
| 3. (a) Total number of properties inspected for rats and/or mice for reasons other than notification | 212 | — |
| (b) Number infested by— | | |
| (i) Rats | 120 | — |
| (ii) Mice | 3 | — |

FACTORIES

The factories in the district have been systematically inspected and the details as required by the Factory Act 1961 are set out in the table below.

1.—Inspection for purposes of Provisions as to Health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors).

| Premises | Number on Register | Number of— | | Occupiers Prosecuted |
|---|-----------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | | Inspections | Written Notices | |
| Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities | — | ... | — | ... |
| Factories not included above in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority | 47 | 70 | — | ... |
| Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises) | 8 | 12 | — | ... |
| Total | 55 | 82 | — | ... |

FACTORIES—Continued

2—Cases in which DEFECTS were found.

| Particulars | Number of cases in which defects were found— | | | | Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted |
|---|--|----------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| | Found | Remedied | Referred to H.M. Inspector | Referred by H.M. Inspector | |
| Want of cleanliness (S.1) | 2 | 2 | .. | .. | .. |
| Overcrowding (S.2) | — | — | .. | — | .. |
| Unreasonable temperature (S.3) | — | — | .. | — | .. |
| Inadequate ventilation (S.4) | — | — | .. | — | .. |
| Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6) | — | — | .. | — | .. |
| Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)— | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| (a) Insufficient | 2 | 2 | .. | — | .. |
| (b) Unsuitable or defective | — | — | .. | — | .. |
| (c) Not separate for sexes | — | — | .. | — | .. |
| Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork) | — | — | .. | — | .. |
| Total | 4 | 4 | .. | .. | .. |

3—**Outwork.**—During the year no outworkers were notified as residing in this district.

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

This Act makes provision for the safety, health and Welfare of persons employed in offices, shops and certain railway premises. As each year is surveyed it is found that the Act is proving to be an effective instrument for securing improvements in the working conditions of these employed persons.

During the year under review the total number of visits of all kinds to registered premises was 280, this included 9 initial inspections.

Again, it is pleasing to report that in all cases employees welcomed the inspections and employers co-operated fully.

The number of accidents reported and investigated was 6. They were of a minor nature and instructions to obviate recurrence of a similar type of accident were given. In addition, where necessary, alteration to premises were carried out.

The Department examines plans of new buildings and of major alterations in relation to the Act's provisions before work is started, thus ensuring compliance at the outset provided the buildings are used in the way proposed. During the year under review 9 such plans were examined.

Since the implementation of the Act difficulty has always been found with regard to the temperature in the different types of shops and this has again proved the case during the year under review.

When any contravention of the Act has been found the Department has adopted the same procedure to remedy it, viz. the employer's attention has been drawn verbally to the complaint and this has been followed up by letter.

The position in Bridgend can be described as satisfactory but it cannot be over-emphasised that regular re-visits and inspections are necessary in order to maintain the high standard.

The following is an extract from the Annual Report submitted to the Ministry of Labour for the Bridgend District :—

| <i>Class of Premises</i> | <i>Number of Premises registered</i> | <i>Number of Persons employed</i> |
|--|--------------------------------------|---|
| Offices | 109 | 823 |
| Retail Shops | 195 | 1,119 |
| Wholesale Shops, Warehouses | 10 | 153 |
| Catering establishments open to public, canteens | 29 | 212 |
| Fuel Storage Depots | — | — |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Total | 343 | 2,307 (939 Males : 1,368 Females) |

HOUSING

The following are the particulars relating to Housing in your area :

By Local Authority :

- (a) Number of houses completed and occupied during the year 1970 0
- (b) Total number of houses completed and occupied since 1918 2,071
- (c) Flatlets built for Old People 12

By Private Enterprise, Building Societies, etc.:

- (a) Number of houses completed and occupied during the year 1970 14

Improvement Grants :

- (a) Number of Private Dwellings improved with Grant Aid 18

Moveable Dwellings.

No applications for a licence under the Public Health Act, 1936, for the erection and use of a moveable dwelling, were received.

Allocation of Council Houses.

The total of Council owned properties is now 2,125.

All medical certificates submitted by applicants for council accommodation were examined by me, but only a few were considered to be urgent.

I should like to thank the Housing Committee for their co-operation in connection with the medical cases submitted.

The following are the particulars of the housing position as at the end of the year :—

1.—No. of applicants approved for housing accommodation during 1970—

| | |
|------------------------------|-----|
| (a) Normal points list | 148 |
| (b) Keyworkers' list | 11 |
| (c) Steel Company | — |
| <hr/> | |
| Total | 159 |

2.—At the end of the year the number of housing applicants on the register were :—

| | |
|--|-----|
| (a) No. of applicants residing within the Urban Area | 126 |
| (b) No. of applicants for Aged Persons Bungalows | 6 |
| (c) No. of applicants for 1 Bed Accommodation | 26 |
| (d) No. of applicants residing outside but working within 2 miles of Town centre | 61 |
| <hr/> | |
| Total | 219 |

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

1—Ice Cream.

The Ice Cream (Heat Treatment) Regulations which came into force on the 1st May, 1947, prescribes the methods by which ice cream shall be manufactured. Three premises in the town are registered for the manufacture, storage and sale of ice cream, and thirty-seven for the sale and storage of ice cream.

2—Food Hygiene Regulations, 1955.

Your inspectors regularly visited food shops in the area to insure that the handling and distribution of food was carried out hygienically and that premises and equipment conformed with the requirements of the Food Hygiene Regulations.

3—Meat and Other Foods.

The only abattoir within the district is the Council owned abattoir at Trew's Field, Tondur Road. This building is of modern design, erected in 1967 at a cost of £130,000.

The following are the numbers of animals (slaughtered since the year 1943 :

| | | CATTLE | | PIGS | | SHEEP | | CALVES |
|------|-------|--------|-----|-------|-----|--------|-----|--------|
| 1943 | ..... | 1,468 | ... | 191 | ... | 11,538 | ... | 2,853 |
| 1944 | ..... | 1,973 | ... | 141 | ... | 12,381 | ... | 2,451 |
| 1945 | ..... | 1,667 | ... | 307 | ... | 8,872 | ... | 2,422 |
| 1946 | ..... | 1,708 | ... | 89 | ... | 7,365 | ... | 2,534 |
| 1947 | ..... | 1,646 | ... | 36 | ... | 6,388 | ... | 1,484 |
| 1948 | ..... | 1,266 | ... | 103 | ... | 7,469 | ... | 1,293 |
| 1949 | ..... | 1,365 | ... | 168 | ... | 8,546 | ... | 1,215 |
| 1950 | ..... | 1,788 | ... | 291 | ... | 8,561 | ... | 2,000 |
| 1951 | ..... | 1,866 | ... | 617 | ... | 8,316 | ... | 1,650 |
| 1952 | ..... | 1,587 | ... | 1,127 | ... | 9,001 | ... | 1,792 |
| 1953 | ..... | 1,632 | ... | 1,846 | ... | 11,466 | ... | 1,386 |
| 1954 | ..... | 1,661 | ... | 3,780 | ... | 11,646 | ... | 1,056 |
| 1955 | ..... | 2,256 | ... | 5,015 | ... | 11,714 | ... | 734 |
| 1956 | ..... | 3,035 | ... | 4,227 | ... | 14,824 | ... | 788 |
| 1957 | ..... | 3,484 | ... | 4,443 | ... | 16,632 | ... | 793 |
| 1958 | ..... | 3,229 | ... | 4,814 | ... | 14,382 | ... | 604 |
| 1959 | ..... | 3,447 | ... | 4,711 | ... | 21,314 | ... | 544 |
| 1960 | ..... | 4,499 | ... | 4,869 | ... | 20,414 | ... | 744 |
| 1961 | ..... | 4,953 | ... | 4,996 | ... | 24,601 | ... | 737 |
| 1962 | ..... | 4,859 | ... | 6,722 | ... | 22,059 | ... | 689 |
| 1963 | ..... | 5,079 | ... | 5,992 | ... | 19,070 | ... | 460 |
| 1964 | ..... | 5,313 | ... | 6,430 | ... | 20,520 | ... | 196 |
| 1965 | ..... | 4,778 | ... | 6,902 | ... | 19,706 | ... | 107 |
| 1966 | ..... | 4,483 | ... | 6,119 | ... | 22,650 | ... | 150 |
| 1967 | ..... | 4,372 | ... | 5,325 | ... | 18,369 | ... | 221 |
| 1968 | ..... | 3,336 | ... | 4,235 | ... | 14,411 | ... | 146 |
| 1969 | ..... | 3,278 | ... | 5,205 | ... | 14,772 | ... | 65 |
| 1970 | ..... | 4,556 | ... | 7,853 | ... | 20,625 | ... | 47 |

Carcases and Offal Inspected and Condemned in whole or part

| | <i>Cattle excluding Cows</i> | <i>Cows</i> | <i>Calves</i> | <i>Sheep and Lambs</i> | <i>Pigs</i> | <i>Horses</i> |
|---|--------------------------------------|-------------|---------------|----------------------------|-------------|---------------|
| Number Killed | 4,455 ... | 101 ... | 47 ... | 20,625 ... | 7,853 ... | — |
| Number Inspected ... | 4,455 ... | 101 ... | 47 ... | 20,625 ... | 7,853 ... | — |
| All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci | | | | | | |
| Whole carcases condemned | 1 ... | 1 ... | 4 ... | 19 ... | 22 ... | — |
| Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned | 1,068 ... | 44 ... | 10 ... | 847 ... | 1,488 ... | — |
| Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis and Cysticerci | 24 ... | 44.5 ... | 29.8 ... | 4.2 ... | 19.2 ... | — |
| Tuberculosis only | | | | | | |
| Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned | — ... | — ... | — ... | — ... | 118 ... | — |
| Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis ... | — ... | — ... | — ... | — ... | 1.5 ... | — |
| Cysticercosis | | | | | | |
| Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned | 3 ... | — ... | — ... | — ... | — ... | — |
| Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration | — ... | — ... | — ... | — ... | — ... | — |
| Generalised and totally condemned | — ... | — ... | — ... | — ... | — ... | — |

Carcases and Offal Inspected and Condemned in Whole or Part

| | |
|----------------------------------|---|
| 1 Bovine Carcase and Offal | Acute Enteritis, Pyrexia and H.B.C. |
| 1 Bovine Carcase and Offal | Septicaemia |
| 9 Sheep Carcases and Offal | Emaciation and General Oedema |
| 3 Sheep Carcases and Offal | Pyaemia |
| 2 Sheep Carcases and Offal | Septicaemia |
| 1 Sheep Carcase and Offal | Septic Pleurisy, Pyrexia and H.B.C. |
| 1 Sheep Carcase and Offal | Gangrenous Injury and Bruising |
| 1 Sheep Carcase and Offal | Savaged by Dogs |
| 1 Sheep Carcase and Offal | Acute Septic Metritis |
| 1 Sheep Carcase and Offal | Pyrexia and H.B.C. |
| 8 Pig Carcases and Offal | Multiple Abscesses |
| 6 Pig Carcases and Offal | Septicaemia |
| 1 Pig Carcase and Offal | Septic Pneumonia and Abscesses |
| 1 Pig Carcase and Offal | General Oedema |
| 1 Pig Carcase and Offal | Pyrexia, Emaciation and General Oedema |
| 1 Pig Carcase and Offal ... | Septic Pneumonia, Septic Pleurisy and Multiple Abscesses |
| 1 Pig Carcase and Offal | Pyaemia |
| 1 Pig Carcase and Offal | Emaciation and General Oedema |
| 1 Pig Carcase and Offal | Acute Enteritis, Pyrexia and H.B.C. |
| 1 Pig Carcase and Offal | Athritis and Abscesses |
| 2 Calf Carcases and Offal | Enteritis Pyrexia and H.B.C. |
| 1 Calf Carcase and Offal | Enteritis and Pyrexia |
| 1 Calf Carcase and Offal | Umbilical Pyaemia |

Total weight of meat condemned during the year was :
12 tons, 6 cwts., 3 qtrs., 25 lbs.

All condemned meat was collected and removed to a well equipped Knacker's Yard at Hendre, Pencoed, near Bridgend, where it was suitably treated or destroyed.

Applications were received from 19 persons for the renewal of their slaughtermen's licences under the Slaughter of Animals Act.

No new applications were received.

There are no private slaughterhouses in your area.

5—Adulteration.

This work is undertaken by the County Public Health Inspectors, and the following is their report in connection with the administration of the Food and Drugs Act in your area.

Samples taken in the Bridgend Urban District by the County Sampling Officers during the year ended 31st December, 1970.

| | | | |
|--|----|---------------------|-----|
| Almonds | 1 | Honey | 1 |
| Butter | 5 | Malt Vinegar | 1 |
| Cake, sponge, pastry mix, etc. | 1 | Lard | 1 |
| Cheese/cheese spread | 1 | Meat Products | 2 |
| Coffee and Chicory | 7 | Milk | 108 |
| Cream | 24 | Peanut Butter | 1 |
| Dessicated Coconut | 1 | Soft Drinks | 24 |
| Fish (Canned) | 1 | Syrup | 1 |
| Fruit Juice | 1 | Mashed Potato | 1 |

6—Unsound Food.

The following list of articles were found to be unfit for human consumption and were voluntarily surrendered and destroyed :—

Canned and other foods :

Other Foods, 1970

225 tins of Meat, 90 tins of Fish, 995 tins of Fruit, 152 tins of Peas, 212 tins of Tomatoes, 33 tins of Cream, 1 tin of Syrup, 182 tins of Soup, 2 tins of Instant Milk, 6 tins of Evaporated Milk, 59 tins of Rice, 62 tins of Green Beans, 24 tins of Potatoes, 69 tins of Carrots, 197 tins of Baked Beans, 41 tins of Fruit Juice, 42 tins of Spaghetti, 24 tins of Baby Food, 5 tins of Custard Powder, 92 pkts. of Meat Products, 239 pkts. of Frozen Fish, 190 pkts. of Frozen Peas, 18 pkts. of Frozen Beans, 32 pkts. of Frozen Brussel Sprouts, 48 pkts. of Frozen Chips, 29 pkts. of Frozen Pastry, 144 pkts. of Frozen Mousse, 14 pkts. of Frozen Mixed Vegetables, 13 Frozen Pies, 155 lbs. of U.K. Lamb, 1,151½ lbs. of U.K. Beef, 397½ lbs. of U.K. Pork, 67 lbs. of Imported Beef, 137 lbs. of Imported Lamb, 14 lbs. of Imported Pork, 18 lbs. of Rabbit, 223½ lbs. of Assorted Fish, 40 lbs. of New Zealand Cheese, 12 lbs. of Butter, 265 cartons of Yoghourt, 4 cartons of Cottage Cheese, 10 cartons of Russian Salad, 10 cartons of Cold Slaw, 2 cartons of Milk, 5 tins of Asparagus Tips, 3 tins of Celery Hearts, 84 Bottles of Mint Sauce, 6 jars of Jam, 10 tins of Sponge Pudding, 13 tins of Macaroni, 9 pkts. of Cakes, 1 tin of Malted Milk, 65 tins of Pie filling, 9 tins of Mixed Vegetables, 1,176 lbs of Biscuits.

GLAMORGAN (ADMINISTRATIVE COUNTY)—VITAL STATISTICS, 1964

| | | | | | | Estimated Population 1964 | Births | | | Deaths | | | Infant Mortality | | Peri-Natal Mortality | | | |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|---------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|-------|------------------------|------------------------------|-------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|----|-------|
| | | | | | | | Number of Births | Rate per 1,000 Population | | Number of Deaths | Rate per 1,000 Population | | Deaths under 1 year | Rate per 1,000 Live Births | Stillbirths & Deaths under 1 week | Rate per 1,000 Live Births | | |
| England and Wales | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 47,401,300 | 874,178 | 18.40 | — | 534,556 | 11.30 | — | 17,445 | 20.00 | 25,082 | 28.20 | | |
| Administrative County | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 755,480 | 13,468 | 17.83 | 18.19 | 9,084 | 12.02 | 13.82 | 359 | 26.66 | 458 | 33.39 | | |
| Urban Districts | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 526,090 | 9,345 | 17.76 | 18.29 | 6,450 | 12.26 | 14.22 | 267 | 28.57 | 334 | 35.08 | | |
| Rural Districts | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 229,390 | 4,123 | 17.97 | 18.15 | 2,634 | 11.48 | 12.86 | 92 | 22.31 | 124 | 29.56 | | |
| Health Division | Constituent Districts | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Aberdare and | Aberdare Urban | | | | | ... | ... | 38,910 | 615 | 15.81 | 17.23 | 569 | 14.62 | 15.20 | 17 | 27.64 | 19 | 30.45 |
| Mountain Ash | Mountain Ash Urban | | | | | ... | ... | 29,510 | 534 | 18.10 | 18.10 | 343 | 11.62 | 14.06 | 9 | 16.85 | 18 | 32.91 |
| Caerphilly and | Caerphilly Urban | | | | | ... | ... | 36,890 | 782 | 21.20 | 20.78 | 402 | 10.10 | 13.13 | 20 | 25.58 | 30 | 37.41 |
| Gelligaer | Gelligaer Urban | | | | | ... | ... | 35,000 | 676 | 19.31 | 19.31 | 398 | 11.37 | 14.78 | 23 | 34.02 | 27 | 39.36 |
| Mid-Glamorgan | Bridgend Urban | | | | | ... | ... | 15,180 | 281 | 18.51 | 19.07 | 164 | 10.80 | 11.88 | 5 | 17.79 | 5 | 17.54 |
| | Maesteg Urban | | | | | ... | ... | 21,590 | 370 | 17.14 | 17.83 | 215 | 9.95 | 12.34 | 16 | 43.24 | 21 | 55.41 |
| | Ogmore and Garw Urban | | | | | ... | ... | 20,890 | 347 | 16.61 | 17.11 | 258 | 12.35 | 15.31 | 13 | 37.46 | 13 | 37.04 |
| | Porthcawl Urban | | | | | ... | ... | 11,880 | 240 | 20.20 | 23.23 | 153 | 12.88 | 10.82 | 5 | 20.83 | 7 | 28.69 |
| | Penybont Rural | | | | | ... | ... | 44,280 | 955 | 21.57 | 20.71 | 506 | 11.43 | 11.54 | 18 | 18.85 | 28 | 28.87 |
| Neath and | Neath M.B. | | | | | ... | ... | 30,520 | 507 | 16.61 | 17.27 | 439 | 14.38 | 15.39 | 17 | 33.53 | 18 | 34.95 |
| District | Neath Rural | | | | | ... | ... | 40,830 | 651 | 15.94 | 16.58 | 489 | 11.98 | 14.74 | 15 | 23.04 | 25 | 37.48 |
| Pontypridd and | Llantrisant Rural | | | | | ... | ... | 27,580 | 553 | 20.05 | 19.05 | 295 | 10.70 | 13.91 | 15 | 27.12 | 19 | 33.69 |
| Llantrisant | Pontypridd Urban | | | | | ... | ... | 35,160 | 584 | 16.61 | 16.94 | 517 | 14.70 | 14.85 | 23 | 39.38 | 22 | 37.10 |
| Port Talbot and | Glyncorrwg Urban | | | | | ... | ... | 9,470 | 215 | 22.70 | 22.02 | 84 | 8.87 | 13.48 | 8 | 37.21 | 15 | 66.96 |
| Glyncorrwg | Port Talbot M.B. | | | | | ... | ... | 51,750 | 987 | 19.07 | 18.88 | 523 | 10.11 | 13.95 | 25 | 25.33 | 31 | 30.91 |
| South East | Barry M.B. | | | | | ... | ... | 42,460 | 800 | 18.84 | 19.41 | 457 | 10.76 | 12.05 | 19 | 23.75 | 27 | 33.17 |
| Glamorgan | Cardiff Rural | | | | | ... | ... | 52,430 | 894 | 17.05 | 16.54 | 597 | 11.39 | 10.71 | 22 | 24.61 | 21 | 23.23 |
| | Cowbridge M.B. | | | | | ... | ... | 1,140 | 12 | 10.53 | 10.64 | 11 | 9.65 | 10.04 | — | — | 1 | 76.92 |
| | Cowbridge Rural | | | | | ... | ... | 20,430 | 370 | 18.11 | 19.38 | 167 | 8.17 | 13.48 | 8 | 21.62 | 13 | 34.30 |
| | Penarth Urban | | | | | ... | ... | 21,350 | 372 | 17.42 | 18.81 | 271 | 12.69 | 12.06 | 8 | 21.51 | 6 | 16.04 |
| West Glamorgan | Gower Rural | | | | | ... | ... | 13,440 | 215 | 16.00 | 17.44 | 146 | 10.86 | 10.86 | 3 | 13.95 | 4 | 18.35 |
| | Liwchwr Urban | | | | | ... | ... | 25,260 | 406 | 16.07 | 17.19 | 301 | 11.92 | 13.11 | 10 | 24.63 | 17 | 40.87 |
| | Pontardawe Rural | | | | | ... | ... | 30,400 | 485 | 15.95 | 18.02 | 434 | 14.28 | 15.14 | 11 | 22.68 | 14 | 28.40 |
| Rhondda M.B. | | | | | | ... | ... | 99,130 | 1,617 | 16.31 | 16.80 | 1,345 | 13.57 | 15.61 | 49 | 30.30 | 57 | 34.52 |

7—Food Premises, etc.

| | |
|--|----|
| Number of premises registered for preserved foods, including 6 fried fish shops | 23 |
| Number of premises registered for Ice-Cream | 38 |
| Number of Bakehouses | 2 |
| Number of Licensed Premises and Registered Clubs ... | 28 |

8—Pet Animals Act, 1951.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Pet Shops licensed under this Act | 3 |
|---|---|

9—Animal Boarding Establishments Act, 1963.

| | |
|--|---|
| Number of establishments licensed under this Act | 1 |
|--|---|

PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES

No serious outbreak of infectious diseases occurred. All the cases notified were of a mild nature and caused no anxiety to the Department.

Notifiable Diseases (other than Tuberculosis) during the Year 1970

| DISEASE | Under 1 yr. | 1- | 2- | 3- | 4- | 5 to 9 | 10 to 14 | 15 to 24 | 25 and over | Total Cases |
|------------------------------------|----------------|----|----|----|----|--------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Scarlet Fever | | | | 1 | | 1 | | | | 2 |
| Whooping Cough | | | | 1 | | | 1 | | | 2 |
| Puerperal Pyrexia | | | | | | | | | | |
| Measles | | 3 | 6 | 6 | 8 | 19 | 2 | | 1 | 45 |
| Poliomyelitis (Paralytic) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Poliomyelitis (Non-Paralytic) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Erysipelas | | | | | | | | | | |
| Jaundice | | | | | | | 4 | 1 | 1 | 6 |

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES for each month in 1970

| | Jan. | | Feb. | | Mar. | | April | | May | | June | | July | | Aug. | | Sept. | | Oct. | | Nov. | | Dec. | | Total |
|-------------------------------------|------|---|------|---|------|---|-------|---|-----|---|------|---|------|---|------|---|-------|---|------|---|------|---|------|---|-------|
| | M | F | M | F | M | F | M | F | M | F | M | F | M | F | M | F | M | F | M | F | M | F | M | F | |
| Scarlet Fever | | | | | | | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 2 |
| Whooping Cough | | | | | | | | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 2 |
| Measles | 8 | 7 | 4 | | 5 | 2 | 4 | 3 | | | 2 | | | | 1 | | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | | | 45 |
| Puerperal Pyrexia | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Pul. Tuberculosis | | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | | | | | | 2 | | 5 |
| Other Tuberculosis | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | | | | | | | 1 |
| Poliomyelitis (Paralytic) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Poliomyelitis (Non-Paralytic) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Erysipelas | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Jaundice | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 4 | 2 | | 6 |

Causes of Death in Bridgend Urban District, 1970

Population—15,170

| Causes of Death | M. | F. |
|--|------------|-----------|
| Tuberculosis of Respiratory System | 1 ... | — |
| Late Effects of Respiratory Tuberculosis | — ... | 1 |
| Malignant Neoplasm, Buccal Cavity | — ... | 1 |
| Malignant Neoplasm, Oesophagus | 1 ... | — |
| Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach | 3 ... | 4 |
| Malignant Neoplasm, Intestine | 1 ... | — |
| Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus | 9 ... | — |
| Malignant Neoplasm—Breast | — ... | 5 |
| Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus | — ... | 2 |
| Malignant Neoplasm, Prostate | 3 ... | — |
| Other Malignant Neoplasms | 7 ... | 1 |
| Other Endocrine, etc., Diseases | — ... | 1 |
| Meningitis | — ... | 2 |
| Other Diseases of Nervous System | 1 ... | 2 |
| Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease | 3 ... | 2 |
| Hypertensive Disease | 2 ... | 1 |
| Ischaemic Heart Disease | 38 ... | 19 |
| Other Forms of Heart Disease | 1 ... | 5 |
| Cerebrovascular Disease | 15 ... | 7 |
| Other Diseases of Circulatory System | 8 ... | 2 |
| Influenza | — ... | 1 |
| Pneumonia | 10 ... | 9 |
| Bronchitis and Emphysema | 4 ... | 3 |
| Asthma | — ... | 1 |
| Other Diseases of Respiratory System | 2 ... | 1 |
| Intestinal Obstruction and Hernia | — ... | 1 |
| Other Diseases of Digestive System | — ... | 1 |
| Nephritis and Nephrosis | 1 ... | 1 |
| Other Diseases, Genito-Urinary System | 3 ... | 1 |
| Diseases of Musculo-Skeletal System | — ... | 1 |
| Congenital Anomalies | 1 ... | — |
| Birth Injury, Difficult Labour, Etc. | 2 ... | 1 |
| Other Causes of Perinatal Mortality | 1 ... | — |
| Motor Vehicle Accidents | 2 ... | 1 |
| All Other Accidents | 4 ... | 1 |
| Suicide and Self-Inflicted Injuries | 1 ... | 1 |
| Other External Causes | 1 ... | — |
| TOTAL | 125 | 79 |

CANCER

The number of deaths certified as being caused by Cancer was 30.

The following table shows the organs affected, as well as the age at death, and the sex of the individuals affected.

| Organs affected | 35—45 yrs. | | 45— yrs. | | 55— yrs. | | 65— yrs. | | 75 upwards | | TOTAL | |
|-----------------------------|---------------|---|-------------|---|-------------|---|-------------|---|---------------|---|-------|----|
| | M | F | M | F | M | F | M | F | M | F | M | F |
| Liver | | | 1 | | | | | | | | 1 | |
| Stomach | | | | | | | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 3 |
| Colon | | | | | 1 | | | 1 | | | 1 | 1 |
| Lungs and Bronchus | | | | | 2 | | 1 | | 1 | | 4 | |
| Breast | | | | 1 | | 2 | | | | 2 | | 5 |
| Prostate | | | | | | | 1 | | 1 | | 2 | |
| Bladder | | | | | 1 | | | | | | 1 | |
| Cervix | | | | | | | | 1 | | | | 1 |
| Esophagus | | | | | | | 1 | | | | 1 | |
| Jaw | | | | | 1 | | | | | | 1 | |
| Base of Tongue | | | | | | | | 1 | | | | 1 |
| Vagina | | | | | | 1 | | | | | | 1 |
| Rectum | | | | | | | 1 | | | | 1 | |
| Peritoneum ... | | | | | | | 1 | | | | 1 | |
| Large Bowel | | | | | | | | | 1 | | 1 | |
| Pancreas | | | | | | | 1 | | | | 1 | |
| TOTALS | | | 1 | 1 | 5 | 3 | 8 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 18 | 12 |

In 1967, a Meals on Wheels Service was introduced by this authority. One mini van was purchased and specially adapted for the service, and two lady drivers were engaged to deliver the meals.

Meals are provided to handicapped aged persons who are unable or find difficulty in cooking their own meals. This is done in the hope of overcoming malnutrition which frequently occurs in the aged due to an inadequate diet. An average of 55 aged people receive two hot meals per week in their homes at a cost to them of 7p. per meal. The cost of the meal to the authority is 15p. and is obtained from caterers on the Industrial Estate.

In conclusion I wish to again record my indebtedness to all the Council members and the Council staff for their co-operation and willing assistance during the year.

I am, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

J. ALUN EVANS,

Medical Officer of Health.

